



SELF-ADVOCATES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING NOTICE/AGENDA

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DATE: Wednesday, March 19, 2014

TIME: 1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Doubletree Hotel
2001 Point West Way
Sacramento, CA 95815
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2. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM	N. Yang
3. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS	N. Yang
4. PUBLIC COMMENTS	N. Yang

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**Self-Advocates Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
January 14, 2014
Holiday Inn Sacramento – Capitol Plaza**

<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Members Absent</u>	<u>Others Attending</u>
Nancy Clyde David Forderer Molly Kennedy Kerstin Williams Ning Yang Rebecca Donabed	Brian Gutierrez	Nancy Dow Sarah May Dawn Morley Angela Lewis Mark Polit Mary Agnes Nolan Roberta Newton Sherry Beamer Wayne Glusker

1. CALL TO ORDER

Ning Yang, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

2. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

A quorum was established.

3. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

SAAC members and others attending introduced themselves.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

5. APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 13, 2013 MEETING MINUTES

It was moved/seconded (Clyde/Forderer) and carried to approve the November 13, 2013 meeting minutes (one abstention, Weller)

6. STATEWIDE SELF-ADVOCACY NETWORK (SSAN) REPORT

As SSAN representative Brian Guterrez was not in attendance, Kecia Weller gave the SSAN report as she is also a Network member. Highlights of the December 10 and 11, 2013 meeting were:

- New officers were elected (Chair Daniel Meadows representing Disability Rights California; Vice-Chair Jennifer Allen representing Area Board 3; Secretary Nicole Patterson representing the Department of Developmental Disabilities)
- Presentation by Bryon McDonald, World Institute on Disability, on Work and Public Benefits
- Goal Setting for Opportunities presentation by the Autistic Self Advocacy Network's Pacific Alliance Coordinator
- Discussion of SB663 (Lara) Crimes: persons with developmental and intellectual disabilities

7. CAPC SELF ADVOCACY GRANT

Sherry Beamer, Self Advocacy Grant Project Director, gave a report on written alternative materials and leadership coaching supports available to the SAAC.

There was discussion about the grant supports to the Statewide Self-Advocacy Network to develop a 4 module Train the Trainer series including 2 fifteen minute video courses posted on the State Council website. Nancy Clyde suggested that the Network consider a piece on resume writing as she feels this is an important activity to getting a job and is often difficult to do well.

8. REPORT ON EMPLOYMENT FIRST COMMITTEE (EFC) MEETING PRESENTATION

Molly Kennedy reported that she made the Sheltered Workshop presentation to the EFC Committee that she reviewed at the November SAAC meeting. Molly felt the presentation prompted good discussion and will lead to work at the March EFC meeting on the issues with sub-minimum wages.

9. FACILITATION

Roberta Newton, State Council Interim Executive Director, gave a report on the legal opinion letter the California Department of Human Resources (CalHR) provided on compensation for Council Member facilitators. Two possible options were presented:

1. Members can use privately employed facilitators and seek reimbursement from Council.
2. Council could employ facilitators that Members could select from.

Committee members discussed the options then voted on the options they believe would be best:

Members pay and seek reimbursement	Council hires facilitators	Both options
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Member comments:

- I couldn't afford to pay facilitator's time and travel expenses and seek reimbursement. (4)
- I would want my current facilitator to be hired by the Council. (2)
- I would still want to direct the Council facilitators to assure I get a support that works for me.
- I have a friend who would be my facilitator as a volunteer, or would wait for payment if I submit for reimbursement.
- The two options offered by CalHR are hard choices and are not ideal.
- We would feel better if background checks could be part of the screening and hiring process.

The Council's Administrative Committee has been tasked with developing a draft policy for this dilemma. Molly

Kennedy chairs this Committee and will take the SAAC's input to the next meeting for planning.

10. **REVIEW OF COUNCIL PACKET**

Roberta Newton reviewed the January 15, 2014 Council Packet with the members. Agenda Item #6, MTARS Report, requires in-depth discussion. Roberta reported on the following:

- On Nov. 22 the Council's federal grant award was placed in a high risk designation by the Administration for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities (AIDD) as a result of the MTARS Report.
- On Dec. 20 the Council's federal grant funds were frozen and will now be paid by reimbursement requiring operating out of reserves.
- The Council sent a Dec. 26 letter and MTARS report response asking that the funds restriction be postponed. The request was denied

The Council must provide a corrective action plan to AIDD by 2/14/14 addressing:

- Lanterman Act changed for Council Director to hire all staff
- Council makeup to meet diversity requirements
- 5 year plan driven by data
- State contracts not interfering with Council business
- Funds accounted for by understandable methods and typical accounting standards

- Removal of conflict with funds and influence from Area Boards
- State Plan to promote capacity building and systems change

11. **TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION**

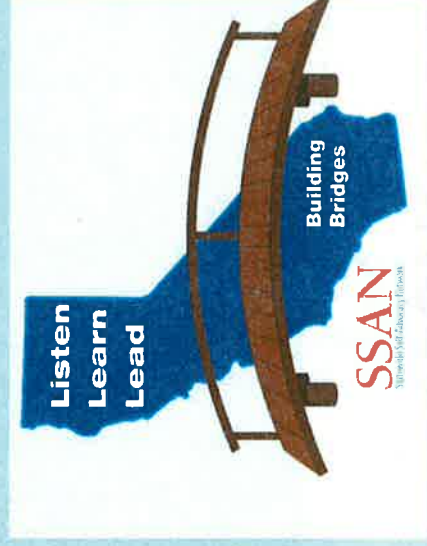
Ning reported as Committee Chair that Goal Setting would be the topic for the March SAAC meeting. She also recommended that Sherry Beamer assist the Committee with a plain language version of parliamentary procedure so members can follow proper meeting procedures.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved/seconded (Weller/Donabed) and carried to adjourn the meeting. Ning Yang adjourned the meeting at 4:55 p.m.

Statewide Self-Advocacy Network Training Module Assignment

FOR THE STATE COUNCIL SELF ADVOCATES
ADVISORY COMMITTEE - DUE BY MARCH 19



Work

Topic Ideas

- Writing a resume
- How to sell yourself to get a job
- How to build your job skills
- How to learn about and find jobs that are right for you



Starting Self Advocacy Groups

Topics

- How to start groups
- How to create a statewide advocacy plan
- How to build community partnerships
- How to teach new leaders



A Good Life As We Get Older

Topics:

- How do I retire?
- How do I plan for the end of my life?
- How do I get different supports as I get older?





Statewide Self-Advocacy Network (SSAN)



Training Module Idea Survey

The State Council Self-Advocacy Grant Contractor CAPC will work with SSAN to develop 4 Train the Trainer Modules. To help with this discussion, please provide your input to this survey, with input from other self-advocates as possible, to bring to the March 19 SAAC Meeting.

Contact Sherry Beamer if any questions at:
beamers@capcinc.org 562-652-1759 (cell)

Choose 4 Ideas:

___ Work

___ Self Determination

___ Starting Self-Advocacy Groups

___ Good health care

___ Good life for seniors

___ Other: _____



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If you chose Work, pick at least 1 topic:

___ Writing a resume

___ How to sell yourself to get a job

___ How to build your job skills

___ How to learn about and find jobs that are right for you

___ Other: _____



If you chose Self Determination, pick at least 1 topic:

___ What is it?

___ How does it work?

___ How can I be part of it?

___ Why is it good?

___ When is it not easy?

___ Success stories

___ Other: _____



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If you chose Starting Self Advocacy Groups, pick at least 1 topic:

___ How to start self-advocacy groups

___ How to create a statewide advocacy plan

___ How to build community partnerships

___ How to teach new leaders

___ Other: _____



If you chose Good Health Care, pick at least 1 topic:

___ How does the Affordable Care Act affect us?

___ How does Medi-cal work?

___ How to find the best doctors?

___ Other: _____



Statewide Self-Advocacy Network (SSAN)



If you chose a Good Life for Seniors, pick at least 1 topic:

___ How do I retire?

___ How do I plan for the end of my life?

___ How do I get different supports as I get older?

___ Other _____



If you chose another idea, list at least 1 topic:
